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HON SON'S FEBRUARY 29TH, 1908 A CORRESPONDENT of the Times las written a long letter on the subject of Japanese bonds, and the reasons for their depreciation in the European markets. He maintains that the fall in prices is not due to any deterioration in the financial position of Japan, thereby going dead against a growing popular impression. He points out that the recent conditions have not tended to increase speculative or investing interest in any nation's securities, but apart from that general reminder, he calls attention to details that have local as well as London interest. When the Six per cent. loan was redeemed by a Five per cent. issue, the investors in this part of the world who regretted it were not few. According tothe Times correspondent, and as may be readily accepted, the conversion was equally | bridge's Own" (Middlesex Regiment) will play unwelcome to Home financiers. Yet it the following programme of music, during would be absurd as well as unfair to suggest that Japan did wrong to improve her financial position by effecting that saving as quickly as she possibly could. It will be remembered that there was no need, at that time at any rate, for Japan to bid over the market rates of interest, and the correspondent referred to brings that to mind by stating that there was "another reason for making this conversion than the econumic one, and none the less weighty for being sentimental. No other Power claiming to be in the front rank has bonds in existence. bearing 6 per cent. interest, and Japanese financiers were right in removing this invidious distinction at the first possible mo-

However, the appearance of so-

many issues one after another is not a commonplace occurrence, and it was bound to arouse in many minds the suspicion of an excessive desire for credit. This suspicion has been mooted and repeated now till it has established itself as a fact, and so the South Manchurian Railway offer has not met with the welcome it would otherwise have got. That is not the only reason, however. The Times correspondent says

here again, the real fault lies, not with Japan, but with the paralysed state of European markets. The criticism on the unwisdom of trying to raise a further loan when the supply of available capital was already barely sufficient to sustain the vast mass of already issued, but as yet undigested, securities has much force On consideration, however, does not the necessit for such a crticism reflect more severely on the state of European markets than on the Japanese? Had markets here been in a sounder and more normal state the South Manchurian Railway Debenture issue would have been recognized as one of the most attractive securities ever offered to the public. In the first place, there is the unconditional guarantee of the Government of Japan, a Government whose Five per Cent, bonds stood considerably over par only a short time ago, and which will assuredly go back to a yet higher level before very long, notwithstanding the gloomy vaticinations with which the Press is now filled. Secondly, the whole of the money subscribed-unlike most other Government loaus-goes direct into reproductive and remunerative work. The South Manchurian Railway Company, half the share capital of which is held by the Japanese Gyrernment, and which is entirely under their control, is destined to become one of the most profitable enterprises of the world. Whoever owns it -and, as just stated, the Japanese docontrols and practically owns South Manchuris. one of the richest countries in natural resources on the face of the earth. Whether it is in the interests of England and England's trade that Japan should have successfully assumed this control over these regions is another question, but it has nothing to do with the point, that the more money Japan raises for the South Manchurian Railway at auything like 5 per cent. the better for her, and that the recent issue, so far from being an additional load of debt, was really an addition to her resources. Even in its present primitive state the South Manchurian Railway pays its way and is no burden to the State. Many millions are still required for the full development of the railway, the collieries, and other natural resources of the country, but investors can rest confident that quite apart from the Government guarantee, they possess a security which will yield return on capital of many times the amoun necessary for the service of the debt.

Police Inspector Kerr leaves for Australia c-day on leave of absence.

The German Mail of 20th January was delivered in London on the 27th inst.

Lady Lugard journeyed to Kowloon City yesterday afternoon and presented the prizes to the successful children at the C. M. S. Victoria Home and Orphanage.

A man bought four ounces of laudanum a Blackrock, County Dablin. He came back and disputed the change, but later was found dead with the empty posson bottle beside him.

At the Y. M. C. A. rooms to-night Mr. J. views, and the public are invited.

arrangements are being made by the Imperial Government to test the all British route by Way of Canada for the transport of troops by bringing a regiment from the East to England over the route, and taking steamer at Halifax.

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An inquiry was conducted at the Magistracy yesterday by Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz into the circumstances attending the death of a prisoner in Victoria Gaol the previous day. Deceased who was committed to prison a few weeks before ons charge of stealing opium, was consumptive, and as the medical evidence was to this effect. a verdict of death from natural causes was returned by the jury.

Some comment was made at the Supreme Court yesterday when it was discovered that European, who was under arrest for debt. brought to the court by an Indian warder. was proceeded against by the Mutual Stores for \$200, and admitted the debt, explaining that when he had money to pay the debt he could not find anybody to receive it. Now he was out of work. An order was made for payment.

By kind permission of Major E. W. R. Stephenson and Officers Commanding, the band f the Third Battalion "The Duke of Camdinner, at the Hongkong Hotel, this (Saturday) eyening, 29th February, 1908.

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The main boulevards of Paris were thronged at midday on January 28th to see the start of four racing motors, three French, and one Italian, which left for Havre en route for New York, where they will join other cars competing in the overland race from New York to Paris-by way of Alaska and Siberia. Two of the French competitors took part in the Peking to Paris race. Considerable scepticism prevails motoring circles as to whether any of the contestants will overcome the combined difficulties of Alaska and Siberia.

Mdme. Ruzki, widow er a Russian captain who was killed at Port Arthur, is bringing civil action against Mdme. Spasel, to recover the sum of 2,000 roubles. On the death of ker husband, Mdms. Ruzki left Port Arthur and presented her two cows to Midme. Stossel on the understanding that the milk should be given to the sick and wounded. Mdme. Ruzki now alleges that Mime. Stougel sold the milkto her own profit at one rouble a bottle, and on the day before the espitulation offered the animals for sale to a tradesman named Suvoroff, who, however, refused to make a bargain, with her, as he suspected that surrender was imminent.

Sir Christopher Furness, interviewed by an Express" representative, declared that it would be to the advantage of employers if the shipbuilding depression were relieved. Indications," said Sir Christopher, "point to a long and very serious depression. People investing money in companies entirely concerned with shipowning have had very hard times. How can shipbuilders be expected to go on building? Shipbuilding is too specialised now for speculative building." Referring to the loss of time caused by sectional disputes in the yards, Sir Christopher said the delivery of three large steamers building at his yard at Hartlepool was delayed three months from this cause. For the same reason, an order for four steamers for definite delivery was lost. He insisted that railway. matters of dispute should be argued and settled by the men's unions and the employers.

It is just as might have been expected. Left to themselves, American ladies showed no partiality for the allurements of the eigarette. Given permission to indulge in it at the principal restaurants of New York they scorned the opportunity. Deprived of the right to puff if they pleased, the fair ones have begun to think that it must be very service. nice, and their interest is on the increase-It was the Board of Aldermen of New York who passed the resolution of prohibition, and we are surprised (remarks a contemporary, that Macpherson will deliver a lecture on his trip in it has not yet been discovered that they were the interior of China. The lecture, which starts | bribed thereto by some tobacco trust plutocratsat nine o'clock, will be illustrated with lantern But it is predicted that the liberty-loving daughters of America, will rise in their wrath and "squelch the Board of Aldermen," though It is reported at Halifax (Nova Scotia) that they care nothing about smoking for its own sake. They are like our own dear Suffragettes, who clamour for what they would scorn if were bestowed upon them. The daughters of Eve are faithful to the tradition of their mother. It is the forbidden fruit that seems sweetest to their taste, and they do not need a serpent to make them pluck from the prohibited trees.

A CANTON STORY.

A story for the accuracy of which our course spondent cannot vouch, but which he declares is currently believed, is told about the present Vicercy. It appears that on Chinese New Year's Eve Viceroy Chang had his fur robe and jacket placed in the reception room so that he might wear them on the next day to receive officials and guests calling on him to offer New Year coogratulations. On New Year's day, when he looked for them the valuable furs were missing. Instructions were immediately telephoned to all the police stations to search | Wales. for the missing articles. It was not until a few days ago that a detective discovered the articles piedged for \$400 in a pawn-shop near the East Gate. It is said that a deputy of one of the stations paid the money out of his own pocket to redeem the furs and returned them to the Viceroy. The culprit was arrested shortly after the recovery of the stolen goods, and he turned out to be a servant who was recently discharged from a celebrated restaurant in the Walled City renowned for its pastry. The place has always been patronized by the officials whenever they give complimentary banquets to their superiors, a custom, by the way, well established in China. The discharged servant is a man exceptionally smart, and well versed in mandarin etiquette. He was usually sent to arrange banquets in the yamens; that is Fish River, the waters of which unite with how he knew all the ins and outs there. On New Year's Eve he dressed himself like a mandarin and strolled right into the Vicercy's reception room where he found a pile of nice far clothes lying on a chair. Seeing that nobody was there, he immediately divested himself of his own clothes. hid them underneath a large opium couch, up into small farms and leased by the Govern. donned the Viceregal furs, and calmly walkedout of the Yamen right under the nose of the Viceroy's body guards. It is said he con fessed Mutton and Macedoine, Ox Tongue (Italian Style), this and added that he had spent part of the the Cape Colony to German East Africa, where money in payment of debts and dropped the rest in a fantan house. He is now detained and Carrots, Cold Leicester Pie and Mixed Salad. in prison pending instructions for the proper punishment to be meted out to him for the daring act.

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THE JAPANESE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

LONDON, February 26th.

The Columbian Full Court has upheld the decision of the Chief Justice on The Immigration Act.

THE SITUATION IN MACEDONIA.

LONDON, February 26th.

Parliament has debated the situation in Macedonia. In the House of Lords, Lord Fitzmaurice admitted that the situation was in disappointing and critical, owing to the attitude of the Ports and the disagreement of the Powers.

At the Chamber of Commerce dinner Count Metternich said that the German Government seriously hopes that steps may be taken by the Powers to terminate the massacres in Macedonia, to which end German policy was directed until action effected

JAPAN IN MANCHURIA.

LONDON, February 26th.

A Japanese official statement, which has been published in London, says that the matter in dispute re the South Munchurian railways is not connected with the question. of the fopen door. Japan cannot afford to allow the construction of the Chinese line, and intends to hold China to her solemn undertaking under the treaty of

Reuter's Telegram Co., Ltd., is informed that Sir Edward Grey has intimated to Japan that he recognises the validity of the Japanese contention regarding the South Manchurian railways, but it remains for the contractors to prove to Japan that the proposed-new Chinese line will be a feeder and not a competitor to the Japanese

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Royal Academician, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. G. F. Bodley, R.A. Mr. Charles Sims was elected an Associate. Mr. P. A. J. Dagnan-Bouveret, painter, and M. Autonin Mercie, sculptor, were elected

Mr. George Clausen, A.R.A. was elected

Honorary Foreign Academicians. Mr. George Clausen, the new R.A., was born in London, and he has always found among Londoners some of the most devoted admirers of his lovely landscapes, In 1867, when he was

fifteen years old, he went to the South Kensington Schools, and studied there for six years. He was also for a time in the studio of the late E. Long, v.E., and in Paris studied under Bouguereau and Fleury, His thorough training helped him to win prominence when very young as a master of technique, and art lovers will always hold his "Girl at the Gate," which was purchased by the Chantrey Bequest in 1890, and now hangs in the Tate Gallery, very high in

the ranks of the nation's pictures. Mr. Clausen won medals in Paris in 1889. and 1900, at Chicago in 1893, and in Brussels in 189 . Despite his honours be is as modest as ever's painter was " I am learning to paint,"

Charles Sims the new A.R.A.. thirty-four years old. He began life in a commission agent's office in Paris.

"Childhood," his picture in 1896, was bought. in 1900 for the Musee de Luxembourg, Paris, and obtained a medal at the Salon. He has pictures in the municipal collections of Leeds. Durban, Pietermaritzburg, and in New South

GERMAN COLUNIES.

DEVELOPMENT SCHEME,

An official of the Hessian Ministry for Irrigation and Waterways, Herr Schmick of Darmstadt, has been-deputed by Herr Dernburg. the Colonial Minister, to travel in certain parts of the German African Colonies with a view to the development of the irrigation system.

Herr Schmick, who was to leave on Jan. 20, will go first to Liideritz Bay, whence he will proceed into the interior. There is a project for erecting a great dam in the southern part | Fortunately, he knew how to cook it, at is of the colony, about forty miles south-west of too long a business to pluck out the fretful Keetmanskoop, in front of the Karas Mountains. The course of the Lion River (Loewenfluss) is here. This river runs into the Great the clay is broken, the porcupine is unquilled the Orange River. On the Lion River is a rocky ravine, and here it is proposed to construct a dam to hold up 2,000,000 cubic . Elephant's foot is very good eating, but the metres of water, if the plan be found feasible. The water thus collected is to be used for the irrigation of the neighbouring lowlands. This district would, properly watered, be divided ment. A small commission of technical experts is already on the Lion River making a preliminary inspection of the conditions. Herr Schmick will subsequently travel through he will also inspect the rivers of the Colony.

The German Coloniel Society is offering through its president, Duke John Albert of Mecklenburg, a prize of £300 for the discovery of a treatment to render cattle immune against the sting of the tastse fly.

LOCAL SPORT.

AN INTERNATIONAL MATCH FOR ST. DAVID'S DAY.

ENGLAND V. WALES.

In response to the effort to raise both an Association and a Rugby team to meet the Hongkong Club, a team representing Wales in soccer has been formed but the Rugby match has been cancelled. The game is timed for 4.30 p.m. this afternoon on the ground of the Hongkong Football Club and the following will represent England :- F. H. Kew; W. G. Worcester and H. L Garrett; A. Gregory, F. C. Hall and L. Linton; R. D. Atkinson, M. A. David, O. Eager, R. R. Turner and J. H. Mead (Capt.)

The following will represent Wales :- E. Owen, C.S.M., R.G.A., G. Evans, R.G.A., and C. B. Bucnam; M. W. Bishop, E. Humphreys and S. R. Jones; W. H. Williams, J. Guldie, David J. Williams "Waterwitch," A. E. Thomas " Tamar " and E. Coyne.

CRICKET.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

The match against the "Garrison" postponed from Saturday last will be played to-day of the Club's ground commencing at 12 o'clock noon. The Club will be represented by the following players :- Messrs, R. Hancock, W. C. Turner, T. E. Pearce, H. R. Makin, A. A. Claxton, R. O. Hutchison, Hon. Dr. J. Atkinson, E. H. Hinds, E. A. Fowler, F. H. H. Stevens and W. F. Brewer.

CRAIGENGOWER V. R.G.A. This match will take place to-day at 2:15 p.m. on the Military ground. The following will represent the Craigengower Club:-L. E. Lammert (Capt.), R. Basa, A. O. Brawn, H. L. Manderson, G. A. Hancock, G. Evans E. Irving, R. Pestonji, L. A. Rose, M. E. Asger, and Dr. F. H. Kew.

HONGKONG CRICKET LEAGUE.

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OUTCOME OF THE AMOY CASE.

NATIVE MERCHANT CHARGED WITH

As an outcome of a trial in a civil action heard before the Chief Justice, and known as the Amoy case," Lam Tung-fai was indicted before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Magistracy. yesterday on a charge of perjury. Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton (of Mesers Brutton and Hett) appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Bowley traced the facts leading up to recent trial before his Lordship the Chief Justice. The defendant, after being duly declared at the trial, had denied that he had sent, or had authorised to be sent, a telegram from the Wing Fung firm of Amoy to the Ng Yuen Hing firm of Hengkong. Council proposed to prove that the defendant had sent the message. The Chief Justice had ordered the arrest of all the Amoy witnesses.

Evidence was called and the hearing adjourned. -

THE COMPLEAT GOURMET.

No man living probably has such a varied "taste" as Lieut. Colonel Newnham-Davis. He has eaten everything that is on or off the menu of almost every land. Strange and weird dishes which the beeffed

man would look at with aversion are regarded by him as succulent delicacies. It is this catholicity of "taste" that has made him the prince of gourmets, the darling of the chefs, and the greatest English authority on what to eat and how to eat it. He is just bringing out a new edition of "The Gourmet's Guide to

He named to an "Express" representative some of the out-of-the-way dishes he has tasted during the course of his world travels. I This is Chinese puppy dogs. Sea slugs. Iguana (a

lizard). Kangaroo tail, Porcupine, Shark's fins, Elephant's foot, Peacock, Buffalo's hump, Cygnet, Birds nests, Swan, Snails, Cuttlefish.

The Chinese puppy, says Lieut.-Colonel Newnham Davis, tastes like very delicate rabbit. It is, of course, specially bred and fed on oream and rice. Lieut. Colonel Newnham-Davis is anxious to emphasise this. He fears that otherwise some one may put up a statue to that Chinese puppy in Regent's Park.

He ate the porcupine during a long march delay. ic South Africa. The soldiers had nothing to eat, and one of them caught a porcupine. quills. The proper way is to roll it in clay and bake it over a good fire. Then, when

"It tasted like a delicious jally," said Lieut. Colonel Newnham-Davis, with a faraway look. one I tasted was too tough and stringy. It belonged once to an elephant of our party when we were tiger hunting. The elephant hart itself, and had to be killed.

"Birds' nests taste slightly of the sea. You must cook them in chicked consommé. Kangaroo tail is like ox-tail soup of a bright golden colour; while sharks fine recemble Bombay duck in appearance, and taste like turtle -very nice, I assure you.

"Peacocks are dry and black, and cygnets taste very fishy. "The only thing I could not bring myself to eat was monkey. This was offered to me once. A monkey is too human. I will never

FUNNELS AND FLAGS.

NEW P. & O. SHIPS. The "Morea" the first of three new mail and passenger steamships which the P. and Company is building, is expected to be available for service late in the autumn. These three vessels will each be of 11,000 tons. The Salsette," a new 6,000-ton express boat, which is intended for fast steaming between Aden and Bombay, will be added to the company's effective list in July. It is announced that the P. and O. cargo steamer "Pera" recently made the run from Adelaid to Dunkirk in thirty-eight days, her only stop on the 11,000mile voyage being that necessitated by the

passage of the Suez Canal:

SCHOOLS FOR SAILORS. Unpalatable to the average Britisher is the fact that there are in our mercantile marine 40,000 foreign seamen to whom we are paying two millions annually in wages. Ashore, there is an awful wastage of good material which might very well and wisely be used to replace the aliens. The number of unemployed is growing, and daily thousands of poor boys are taking any kind of chance employment, and going through life as unskilled labourers.

To turn this wastage to good account for the benefit of the country is the idea of the Navy League, and to a Daily Graphic representative the secretary of that organisation, Commander W. Cains Crutchley, R.N.B., unfolded salient features of a practical scheme.

Britain's past has been, her present is, and her future must be on the ocean, and one way to maintain the supremacy of the "Flag of the Three Crosses is to man our merchant ships with boys who have been saved from the streets and trained. During a whole decade the Navy League has had the matter in hand, and it has done something more than to merely inch along the path of progress. The assistance of many public authorities has been invoked, with a certain amount of success, some sea-training homes have been established, and scholarships

The principle that seamen have a right to be trained having been established, the Langue now seek to give an impetus to the movement by holding a conference of the representatives of county councils, when the question of a national system of training for boys who wish to follow the sea as a calling will be discussed. Both the London and Surrey County Councils have already realised the importance of the work, awarding scholarships for boys who would be willing to work their way in the Mercantile Marine as seamen or non-commissioned officers. Experiments made in this direction have proved very satisfactory.

The idea is that there should be a net-work of small training vessels or naval drill sheds all over Britain in connection with a system of training ships on the coasts, and the League feel sure that these are plenty of patriotic and leisured men who would be glad to interest themselves in such useful establishments.

STEAM STEERING! By the death of Mr. John Macfarlane Gray. for many years chief examiner of engineers to to the Board of Trade, marine engineering has lost an enthusiastic devotes, Mr. Gray was practically the inventor of steam-steering gear. He was asked to devise something of the kind for the Great Eastern, and the principles on which he then proceeded still live. Steamsteering gear for the first time made it perfectly easy to handle big ships in the most trying conditions of weather. Indeed, the simplicity with which the rudder of a great steamer is now controlled must be regarded as still one of the wonders of marine engineering. Mr. Gray was distinguished for his mathematical cenius, and the labour which he devoted to the elucidation of intricate problems was little less than prodigious. His achievements received due honour from the Institution of Naval

In the speech which he made a few weeks ago on board the steamship "Asturias" without doubt the finest mail and passenger, boat which has as yet entered the Port of London-Mr. Owen Phillips, M.P., chairman of the Royal Mail Company, touched on several interesting points. He announced that the Royal Mail Company will sever its official connection with the Orient Royal Mail Australian mail service in May, 1909 . This date is somewhat in advance of that at which the contract recently entered into between the Orient Company and the Commonwealth Government becomes operative. Under that contract the Orient Company are to build five new steamers, of 11,000 tons each. A second statement of Mr. Phillips was that, notwithstanding its severance from the mail service, the Royal Mail Company has no intention of relinquishing its interest in the Australian trade. From this it is to be inferred that this trade will be exceptionally well estered for in the near future. The "Asturias" is only making one voyage to the Commonwealth. After that she goes into the company's South American service. Her present run cut to the Antipodes is really to show what the Royal Mail Company is able and ready to do: A MARITIME MILLENNIUM.

Herr Ballin's view of the understanding arrived at between the Hamburg-American and Norddeutscher-Lloyd companies is that it is in no sense directed against British shipping Rather, he says, does it make for a sort of universal peace on the ocean. By this it is apparently meant that, the two German companies having shown the rest of the world that it is possible to compose their differences, such an example ought not to be thrown away on the White Star and Cunard lines. It might be read into Herr Ballin's explanation that he expects before long to see the shipping trade of the globe made the subject of international agreement, so that there will be no more ocean rate wars, and no more flerce competition for traffic. But the maritime millennium is regarded off the English side of the North Sea as likely to be postponed for a long time to come. Even the Continental lines, to judge from the result of their meeting at Cologne, are ready to fling themselves into the Atlantic struggle unless the combatants agree to make peace without

UNITED STATES PRESIDENCY

MR. HUGHES A CANDIDATE. The formal announcement is made by Mr. Hughes, the Governor of New York State, that he will be a candidate for Republican nomination for the Presidency.

This is a most interesting political development, and renders predictions as to the outcome of the Convention of less value than ever. For some time the opponents of Mr. Taft have been putting pressure on Mr. Hughes to induce him to declare his candidature, believing that he is the strongest candidate they can place.

in the field to defeat Mr. Taft. The fact that Mr. Roosevelt is opposed to Mr. Hughes politically increases the factional differences in the Republican Party, which are now becoming bitter and are likely to make the partisaus of the rival candidates more determined han ever to control the Convention.

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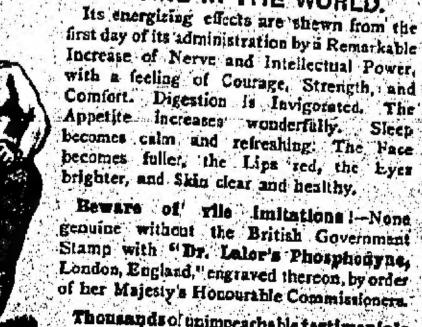
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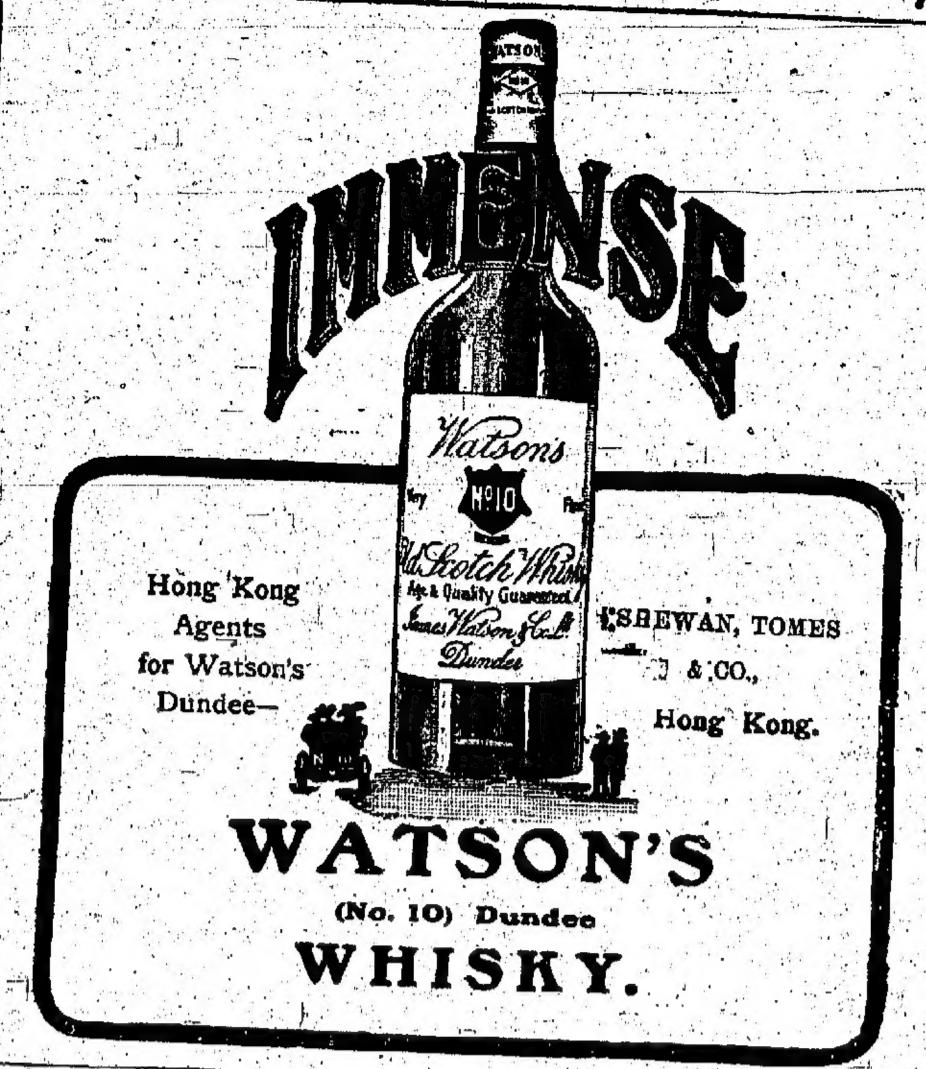
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4, 00 h.p., Lient, Comdr. G. C. Dickens, Janus, torpedo-boat destroyer, 320 tons, 6 guns, 3900 L.p., Lt. Comdr. O. A. Freemantle; Hongkong

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Merkin, surveying ship, 1090, tons, 6 gaus, 1400
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gune, 5,900 h.b., Lieut, Comdr. H. B. Cox, Hongkong Widgeon, gunboat 195, tons, 2 guns, 800 h.p. Lt-Comdr. John F. Knox, Yangtere Woodcock, gunboat, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550 h.p.

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SHIPPING IN PORT.

AKI MARU, Japanese str., 8,995, M. Yagi, 23rd February-Kobe and Shanghai, 10th Feb., General-Nippon Yusen Kaisha. ANTENOR, British str., 3,985, Hazeland, 21st February-Shangha 19th Feb. General-Butterfield & Swire. ARRATOON APCAR, British str., 2,931, A. Stewart, 26th Feb.—Calculta via Straits

and Singapore 20th-Feb., General-David-_Sassoon & Co., Ltd. Asia, British s r., 4.975, Harry Gaubroger, 23rd February-San Francisco 21st Jan

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CHOWTAI, German str., 1,115, W. Mollermann, 25th February - Bangkok via Swatow 24th Feb. Rice and Teaksquare-Butterfield & Swire.

CYCLOPS, British str., 5,748, H. C. Harris, 23rd February-Tacoma via Moji 19th Feb. General Butterfield & Swire. DAGNY, Norwegian str., 883, O. Abrahamsen,

24th February-Saigon 15th Feb., Rice-Aagaard, Thoresen & Co. DAIJIN MARU, Japanese str., 1,560, I. Sakurai, 26th February-Swatow 25th February, General-Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

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25th February-Kobe 20th Feb., General -Gibb, Livingston & Co. EMPRESS OF CHINA, British str., 3,048, Archibald, B.N.R., 13th Feb. - Vancouver. B.C. 25th Jan, and Shanghai 11th Feb. Mails and General - Canadian - Pacific

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23rd February, General-A. R. Marty. HUICHOW, British str., 1.260, E. Forsyth, 20t1 February-Haipheng & Hoihew 19th Feb., Seneral-Butterfield & Swire.

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26th February-Shanghai 23rd February, General-Chinese. Kwongs ine; British str., 1,428, W. Palmer-Baker, 20th Feb.—Shanghai Feb. 16th, via Swatow 19th, General-Jardine, Matheson

Laisang, British str., 3,960, E. J. Tedd, T8th Feb .- Calcutta Feb. 1st, and Straits | Ith. General-Jardine, Matheson & Co. LANDRAT SCHEIFF, German str., 1.640, "H. Grandt, 25th February-Saigon 19th Feb.,

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February-Bangkok 6th February, Rice-Sander, Wieler & Co. Lydia, German etr., 1,772; C. Meyer, 26th Feb. -Hongay 23rd February, Coal-Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

MANDAL, Norwegien str., 1,197, K. Gabrielsen, 23rd February-Saigon 17th Feb., Rice and Paddy-Wallem & Co. MARIE, German str., 1,169, P. E. Christiansen

18th February-Saigon 13th February General -- China Commercial S.S. Co. MAUSANG, British str., 1,644, R. Houghton, 29th January-Sandakan 23rd January, Timber and General-Jardine, Matheson

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February-Saigon 1st February, Rice-Nissin Maru, Japanese str., Sbirkawa, 26th February-Saigon 20th February, Rice-

PEBSIA, British str., 2,744, A. Dixon, 11th Jan. -San Francisco 7th Dec. & Portland, Or., 15th Dec., Flour-O. & O. S. S. Co. Revd H. C. Meeke, C.P. PHEUMPENH, British str., 1,800, J. H. Scott, 26th February-Saigon 21st February,

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father, 27th Febauary-Iloilo 22nd Eeb., Sugar and Hemp-Butterfield & Swire. TELEMACHUS, British str., 1,340, Jas. Williamson, 21st February-Saigon 4th Feb., Rice and General-Chinese.

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THE GERMAN MAIL. The I.G.M. str. Pring Ludwig carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 4th inst., left Colombo on 21st inst., and may be expected here on or about the 2nd prox. p.m. The I.G.M. str. Manila left Sydney on Tuesday, 11th inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 4th prox.

THE INDIAN MAIL, left Singapore on the afternoon of the 26th inst., E. Somentez. and may be expected here on or about 3rd prox. The Indo-China str. Fooksang left. Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 22nd inst., and may be expected here on or about 9th prox. THE CANADIAN MAIL

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CURE HIM HAVE NEVER RETURNED. Mr. J. G. Nieuwkerk, the popular merchant of Palembang, Sumatra, paid a flying visit to Singapore recently, and though now 73 years. of age he was looking in splendid health, and reported himself as feeling quite hearty and well. Certainly he is a murvel of activity for his years. His enthusiasm about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills-the medicine which cured him so miraculously some years ago-is as pervent as ever, in fact, if anything it has increased, because of the magnificent 'permanence of the oure. The facts concerning this remarkable case have already gone the rounds of the public Press, but for the information of those who may not yot have seen them we reproduce the the circumstances here in Mr. Nieuwkerks' own words :-

"For over twenty-five years," said he " suffered tortures from Indigestion and Catarrah of the Stomach. Although I took the greatest care as to diet I could eat nothing with comfort: After every meal, however light and wholesome, I was tortured with stomach pains and a feeing as if my liver was swollen and puffed up. My complexion became sallow, I could not sleep soundly on account of bad Headaches and nervous restlessness, and would rise from my bed as weary as when I laid down. All day I felt tired, depressed and hop less.

"This sort of thing went on until I became so ill that I thought I would soon die. I received excellent medical attention, but the A warm and comfortable bed was made up of no sales, and at time of closing buyers at 114 treatment did me very little good. I seemed for me, and the next morning my host insisted rule the market. Luz me remain unchanged to have a score of silments all at the same upon supplying me with fresh rejudeer, out and without any business. time; it would be impossible to describe half of his herd of some 500, and driving me the symptoms I suffered from. At last I road himself into Kureika in his own sledge. He and after a few further small siles at 8, close somewhere about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. The cure described was of a case very like my own, so I put aside the doctors's medicine and commenced to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills instead. The result was that soon I found myself getting brighter and livelier every day, and this improvement continued until I was sound and well once more. Dr. Williams! Pink Pills have satisfactorily cured me of all ailments. I can est and drink anything I choose, and I can truly say I never felt better in my life than now,"

People to be the remedy for America, Liver which were answered by the tars on board declined to S1, and Hongkew Wearves to 214. Complaint. Headaches, Nervous Debility, our fixilla, and by the fiving of signal guns. LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS, -Hong-Early Dicay, Paralysis, Beri Beri, Rhen. A large shallow-draught steamer, the Russia, kong Lunds have been placed during the week matism, ciatics, Lumbago, disorder of skin of Krasnoiarsk, gaily decorated, and with at 101 and at 1005, the market closing quiet at such as Eczema, Scrofula. Boils and Pimples, hundreds of passengers on board; came along- the latter rate. Kow one Linds have declined and (especially for those ailments which trouble side the Offizine. Lieuts Dobrotrors cy was in- to 27 with sellers ex the dividend of \$17 paid ladies between youth and middle uge.) Men vited to meet the Governor and other notables on the 26th inst. Hongkong Hotels continue broken down by overwork, fever, excesses or on the Russia's deck. A letter of welcome was on offer at 104 without inducing buyers. re-idence in unhealthy climates find in Dr presented to him, as well as a large iced-cake. Williams' Pink Pills a prompt restorative crowned by a silver salt-cellar. The national They are obtainable at most shops where custom of partaking of salt having been commedicines are sold, and also irect from the plied with, the Lieut-ntant conducted the city fall in Ewos to 56, and in Hongkongs to 9, both .Dr. Willism. Medicine Co., Singapore, who megnates, including the Bishop, to the cabin of closing with sellers, we have no changes to send six bottles for \$3 or one bottle for \$1.5) post free.

CAPTAIN WIGGINS.

THE KARA SEA BOUTE TO SIBERIA. We live so fast nowadays that perhaps some people have forgotten the name of Captain Wiggins, the intropid merchantseaman who re-discovered the Kara Sea route to Siberia, and whose exploits filled a large space-in the daily papera a few years ago. But Captain Wiggins is not a man who ought to be forgotten, and he has found his "vates sacer" in Mr. Henry Johnson, whose book. "The Life and Voyages of Joseph Wiggins, F.R.G.S." (John Murray) is based on the journals and letters of his hero. Joseph Wiggins was not brought up to the sen. He was born on September 3rd, 1832, at

Norwich, and his father and his uncles drove some of the celebrated Nelson coaches which ran from Norwich and other places to London. Later on his father took the Dog Inn at Bury St. Edmunds, and renamed it the "Eastern Counties Railroad Tavern.

"It seems odd that, in renuming his hostelry, he should have paid so much deference to the "railway fiend," which was gradually creeping towards Bury, intent on robbing coach-proprietors of their livelihood. His action seemed like offering a sop to Cerberus. The fact is, he was under a slight obligation to the "fiend," with whom he had formed a temporary alliance.

their vocation gradually. When the railway great effort, made his way to the deck. Reachreached Brentwood, the company contracted ing the man at the wheel, he forced him away with the brothers to carry passengers to this and took his place, and then began shouting place, where the coach, with its living load, was orders to the sailors. He swoke, and found the transferred to a truck, and jolted by rail to men gazing at him in consternation, fearing London. At thoreditch terminus the coach that he had suddenly gone mad. He himself was removed from the truck and drawn, by a felt awkward and foolish, for the night was still team in readiness, to its destination -the Green | calm and glorious, and there seemed no occasion Dragon, Bishopsgute-street, and sometimes for his alarm and excited orders. He retired other cosching inns. A similar arrangement to his bunk again, amid the general laughter was carried out when the iron road reached of the men-Colchester; but when it touched Ip-wich the .- Again he fell asleep, but soon awoke with passengers from Norwich left the coach and perves intensely strained. He was puzzled to entered the train."

But the coaching days were passed, and when the elder Wiggins died he left his widow and children slenderly provided for. At the are of fourteen Joseph had to choose a vocation, and he selected the sea, being apprenticed for five years to his uncle Joseph Potts, a shipowner, of Sunderland. He got on rapidly, and at the age of twenty one was master of a ship trading to the Mediterranean. At the early age of twentyseven he obtained the command of a steamer. the Victoria of 4,000 tons, which was the largest steamer of the days, the Great Eastern only excepted. A few years later Captain Wiggins took up a position on shore at Sunderland under the Board of Trade, and it was in his office that he began to study the map of the Arctic regions, and to be fascinated by the idea of sailing along the north of Siberia. The first ship he chartered for the purpose was the Diana, of 103 tons, this was in 1874, and he nearly had H. M. Stanley, the African explorer, as his companion.

A few days before the departure of the Dians. Mr. H. M. Stanley, who had made the acquaintance of Captain Wiggins, expressed a strong wish to accompany him. The incident was related by the captain bimself, in 1889, at a meeting in Newcastle, over which Earl Percy presided. "I was writting to Sir William Mackinnon the other evening," said the Captain, and mentioned that the marvellous man Stanley was again to the fore. I told him that he was probably not aware that Stanley fell in love with my idea in 1874, and desired to go out, and be, with me, the first Englishman on these rivers. I said to him : - Stanley, if you ascend these rivers and go over Asia home, you will be the first man to do it, after the fashion of what you did in Africa.' Stanley said :- You' have the right track; if Bennett will let me go, I will go with you. I said: I sm nearly to sail. I will give you a week. He replied : Three days will do. I'll telegraph. He called

Bennett, and Bennett replied with monosyllable: - No. Stanley sent me that telegram in a letter, with his deep regret that he could not accompany me.

mouth of the Obi by the Kars Sea, and saw that he could reach the Yenesei. His second attempt was made in a still smaller boat, in

"He went to Yarmouth in the middle of June, bought a tiny craft —a mere fishing sloop of only 27 tone, manned usually by a man and a boy, and took her to Sunderland to be fitted. Some seafaring wiseacres looked with astonishmen at this "bit of a boat," and then looked askance at the owner, who was standing near, "It' only a whim of Captain Wiggins," said one to another. The captain overheard the remark, and at once chimed in with the rejoinder, "Well, then, let's call her the Whim." And the Whim she was forthwith christened.

"Nearly everybody thought me almost a lunatio, if not quite, said the captain on one occasion in his later life, "when I bought this craft for an Arctic expedition.

His third venture was made in the Thames, of 120 tons register, in 1876, and was successful. in getting some way up the Yenesei, where he made friends with some of the Dolgans who inhabit that part of Siberia:

climbed upon my knees, and played quietly quiet. Star Ferries continue in demand at with the buttons on my cost. After supper, qualations without any siles to report. We the women industriously applied themselves to have no further charges or business to record embroidery and head-work. The older women under this heading, the remaining stocks strung the different-coloured beade, while the having been entirely out of the market. girls festooned them gaily upon the sleeves | REFINERIES. - China Sugars have continued and breasts of the tunios worn by the tribe. in request during the week, but we have heard and four black ones for the Prince of Wales, an i asked the captain to convey them to England. Unfortunately, the captain was unable to comply with his request, having to return home

making other voyages to Siberia by the Arctic Seas, and go on to the day of his triumph in Thousands of testi- 1893, after the Russian Government had dividend than was anticipated, i.e. Sla, the rate monials from grateful cured sufferers
ful cured Sufferers
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sands of people," writes Wiggins, "lined the
and the market closes with buyers and no furthere sallers at 54/55. Shanghai Docks have Pink Pills for Pale shore, and rent the air with their hearity cheers, there sellers at 54/55. Shanghai Docks have the Offizine, while merchants and ladies and a report. troop of other people soon crowded the dacks. Congra unitions, cheering, and bealth drinking followed, and then the visitors returned to the Russia, "leaving the mariners at leisure realise the fact that for the first time, a Russian fleet, flying the Imperial flag, had safely anchored in view of Siberian citizens,

How much the Russian Government valued his work was shown by the wift which was given by the Czar to Captain Wiggins. "The most interesting incident of this visit

to St. Petersburg was the presentation to the captain, by order of the Emperor Alexander III., of a gift of solid silver plate, elaborately worked, and weighing nearly 40 ounces. It consisted of a large punch bowl, a salver a ladle and 25 mugs, each article, being ornamented with an antique Russian design. An appropriate proverb, in ancient-Slavonic characters, was inscribed on each milg, while the magnificant melver bore an inscription stating that the gift was an acknowledgment of services rendered to

There are some capital stories told of Captain Wiggins, and one of the most carious relates to-bis experiences in the Mediterraneau

"The "White Squall" story was a special favourite. One glorious night—the full moon shining from an almost cloudless sky-the captain was in the Mediterranean, with every sail set. His mind at rest, he turned into his cabin and fell asleep. His repres was soon disturbed by a dream. He thought the water was rushing over the ship's side, and into his cabin -that the vessel was in danger of sinking. The coaching fraternity were deprived of Still asleep, be got out of his bunk, and with

account for his condition, and he determined to dress and go on deck. Making for the compainen way he glarced in passing at the barometer. The quicksilver was out of sight! He dashed on deck and repeated his former orders. The men were again inclined to be amused, not discerning any reason for such orders. The man at the wheel laughed "What! dreaming again. Capa'u.! " he exclaimed. But it was evident that the master was now wide-awake. The men saw he was in earnest, and began to obey his orders, though somewhat sulkily. Almost before the last sail was stowed, the squall was upon the ship in full fury. With bare mastashe rode it out in safety, while vessels around, under full sail, were caught, and went to the bottom The men, amazed and awestruck, soon gave chanks for the darrowest, excape of their lives. Unfortunately Captain Wiggings did not live through the full fruits of his enterprise. He died September 13, 1905, just after completing his seventy third year, and the Hydrographic Survey of Siberia at St. Petersburg telegraphed the serrow of Russian naval officers at his loss. The book is a most interesting record of a gallant struggle against official apathy, and proves that the British sailor is still worthy of the great Elizabethans.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The H.A.L. str. Belgravia left Singapore on 26th inst. at 5 p.m., and may be expected here

The str. Lowther Castle left Singspore on Tuesday 25th inst. for Hongkong via Manils. The Indo China str. Kumsang left Calcutte for this port via the Straits on 26th inst., and may be expected here on or about 18th prox. The Boston str. Tremont left Shanghai for

Manila on 27th inst. The Boston str. Kumeric left Yokohama for Pacific Coast on the 27th inst.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Mesers Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly share report dated Hongkong 28th February, Captain Wiggins succeeded in reaching the 1908 .- Although there has been a little more movement in the market during the week under review, the aggregate of business transacted shows no appreciable increase, holders of stocks still sitting on the fence in anticipation of higher rates, and buyers refusing to raise their limits, being incredulous of any immediate material rise in rates. In short the market remains in statu que ante and without any special features to report. Exchange on London closes at 1s. 101d, T/T, and on Shang: haisat 74 g T/ C.

BANKS.-Hongkong & Shaughais have changed hands in small lots at 37.00 the market closing with some small sellers at that rate. Nationals remain unchanged and without business. MARINE INSURANCES .- Unions have been

placed at 850, closing steady to firm at that rate. Cautons continue on offer at 2421, but we have no busin as to report. The Northern Insurances have not been dealt in locally, rates remaining unchanged.

FIRE INSURANCES .- The market has ruled neglected, and we have only small sales of Hoogkongs at \$3325 to report. SHIPPING. - Hongkong, Canton and Macaos

"The little children," says the captain, have changed sands at 28 ex the dividend of "crept from their warm fur sleeping bigs, Sil paid on the 25th just, the market closing

MINING. - Raubs have ruled rather weaker, refused to accept the smallest remuneration with sellers at that rate. Charbonnages remain for all he had done." It was this Dilgan in demand at the advanced rate of 525, and a who picked out from his herd four milk higher price would probably by paid. Laughats white reindeer as a present for Queen Victoria, and Chinese Engineerings, are without alteration or business.

DOCKS. WHARVES AND GODOWNS .- Hongkouz and Whampon Docks continue neglected and are now quoted at Hi ex the dividend of \$1 paid on the 25th ins . Kowloon Wharves chang-But we must pass over Captain Wiggins' ed hands in fairly large quantities in the early part of the week at 56 for old and 54 for new. Later, however, on the declaration of a smaller

Hu uphreys have been placed at 1) and 101, closing with buyers at the former rate. COTTON MILLS. - With the exception of a

MISCELLANEOUS, - China - Borneos have

been done at the advanced rate of 11, China Providents at 9, Green Islands to 113 at 112. Pack Teams at 13, Ropes at 26, Millings at 150. Union Water Bouts at 10, Watsons at 10 and Powels at 5. Wateons continue in demund at io, and Ropes can be placed at 254 at time

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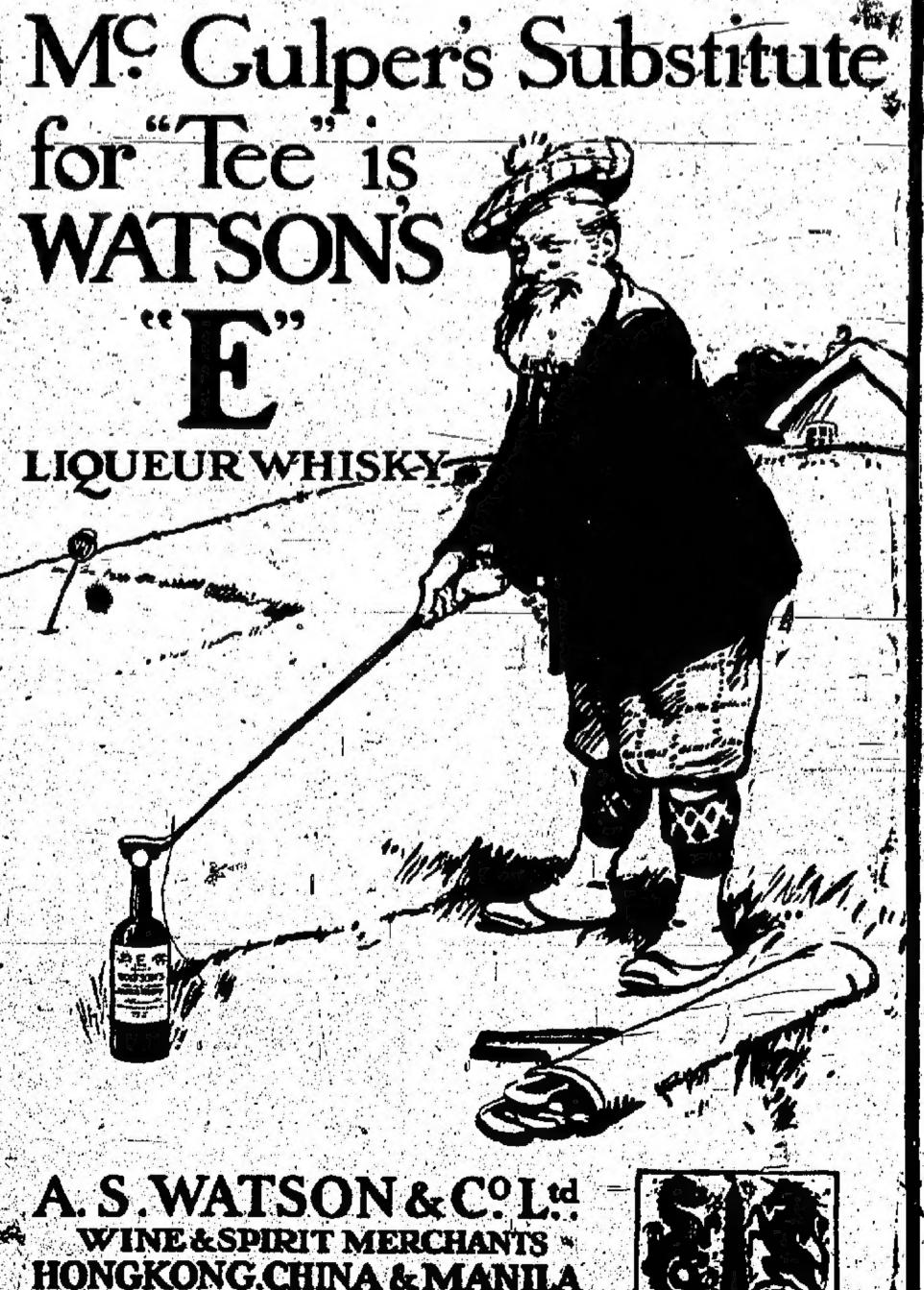
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SHIPPING REPORTS. The German str. Hilary reports: Strong N. E. monsoon and high sea.

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SEILLES, HAVRE & COPENHAGEN		Dan. str	-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	MELCHERS & Co.	End of March.	
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E AND IURUHAMA	LNABA MARK.	Jap. str.		Wm. Bainb idee	NIIPON YUSEN KAIBHA	On 7th Mar., at D'h	
I, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PALMA	Brit, str.		G. W. Cockman, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co	About 29th inst.	
ASAKI KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MART	Jap. str		T. Harrison	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th Mar, at No	
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NGHAI	SHOSRU MARU	Jap. str.		M. Nemoto	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Mar., at 10 a	
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WATCH CLUBS_

The Chief Justice at Shanghai, Sir Havilland de Sausmarez, on Feb., 22nd made a thorough exposure of the fraudulent nature of the business of what are well known locally as "Watch Clubs." Without reference to individuals, his Lordship said there was no doubt that | in double quick time, That appears to have the Shanghai Watch Club was not a bona fide. methods with the following words :-

propositions made which show the stability and financial soundness of this scheme as prothat a club starts with forty members and at the close of forty weeks those members and the others who had taken their placer, will have disappeared from the Club, Certainly the original forty members will have gone. Some will have paid \$40 and will, therefore, be entitled to a watch: others will have taken watches by drawing a lucky number. Now you will remember that the proposition is that every week there are forty members in the Club before there is a drawing, and, therefore, on the receipt of \$4 a drawing takes place and a watch valued at \$26 is given to the member who wins the prize. Therefore, says Black, every week there will be a profit of \$14. Now, gentlemen, that will the perfectly true for the first four weeks, because there cannot be more than one man getting a watch at any drawing during that time. Therefore at the end of forty weeks the Club will have in hand \$56", which it has drawn from contributors. But, taking a case which is certainly as favourable as any to the owners of the Watch Club, that the men who draw the watches during the first forty weeks are all of them original members of the Club, which is certainly more favourable than if the original members stay in; and assuming for the moment; forty weeks. Then, says Black, that does not matter in the least, because in the first week of the second forty weeks you still get your \$40. maturing; one member will have paid his \$40 and be entitled to his watch. That might be all right, but you are going to have a luttery as well, and it is impossible to conceive that naless

on a great many days in that second forty weeks concern. Then, again, he a ggests methods of and they have never loun replaced. winding up by cutting down the clubs. I must remind you that when you have a very large number of clubs, unless you have the watches mature and members disappear, it will take you a great deal more than forty weeks to get rid of your members. I have hade the calculation myself and I have found that assuming that there are forty clubs to start with, with 1,600 members at the moment when the people intend to shut down and present any more members coming in so that for the first drawing you reduce the number of clubs to thirty-nine and continue decreasing them according to the number of your members, allowing, as you must do, if you are honest, that a drawing will take place for the old members who afe over and do not exactly fit into a club, then, at the end of forty weeks, supposing that watches do not tall Dan the more while office and and that there are still something like 600 members who have not got their watches. So that at the last moment, instead of coming down to only forty. members who have to be worked off, you have suddenly at the end of the arrangement to produce 600 watches to liquidate the concern. I do not think I need labour this any further, but it is obvious from the first part of what have said, namely, with regard to the way in which the watches will mature, that if you are going to pay \$26 for each watch, and only receive \$21, which is the way it averages up for the first forty members, there must be a loss of some \$5 a week, or looking at it in another way, from the calculations of the Crown Advocate and his witnesses, a loss of \$220. It is perfectly obvious that if the Watch Club is going to be run on these principles there must be something to compensate for this \$220. The compensation, as alleged by Black, is lapsed members, members who come in and pay \$1, \$2, \$3 up to \$10, and then stop payments. I can quite understand, especially in a country like China with the Chinese, that lapses will be a very profitable source of income, but it is extremely difficult to understand how, if a concern this kind is run absolutely fairly, the heavy chances undertaken by the owner of the Club can really be successful. However you putit, at al events it is a pretty speculative concern if you are going on with your drawings. You may rely upon things coming in for instance, strokes of luck when a man does not take his watch, lapses, payments in advance, but it is pretty obvious to you that a time must come when there wil be a crash. An institution such as this Watch Club, then, seems to me to be one which

eminently lends itself to a clever swindler,

m n is prepared to start a club of this kind and

heruns it until he has got it very full indeed-

nutil he has got a very large number of

men in it, until he has got a very large

has fostered by delays or by means which men

of that kind may produce out of the fertility of

their resources, and finally there is a very large

balance, and of course at the same time, as you

gentlemen at once saw, a very large liability.

That seems to me and probably to Mr. Black

(laughter) also, a psychological moment for

retiring. When a clever swindler tries to get

out of a concern of this kind what he does.

of course, is to find some dupe who can be made

a stepping stone to get out of the mud, and at

all events upon whom he can unload part of

his responsibilities. Unfortunately for him,

Mr. Dooley was tempted by the propositions

laid before him. His was first of all shown

that statement of Black's, which I can only

characterize as impudent, in which he professes

Mr. Dooley did not go into the business

himself; he put it into the hands of a

young accountant. I dare say he did

he did not go into it in the way

his position. The result is that he is

assured that this is a concern in which he may

possibly make some money if it is run in a

businesslike way: The psychological moment

having arrived when it is expedient to clear out,

because the business is going down, or at all

wents culminating, it would be extremely diffi-

out for anyone, however expert, to pull this

The sinking fund there ought to have been,

which Mr. Adams mentioned, disappeared

sum which may lave rolled up to a con-

siderable amount which very likely

with the previous manager; instead of assets he has left you a large number of debts which, for the sake of the new institution and in order to keep it going before the public, you are bound to pay. If people heard of an execution-being put into the Watch Club. no doubt there would be a run on the institution been the position of affairs. If this inquiry has honest scheme, and he proceeded to unravel its had no other useful end, I think it has had a useful end in unmasking and showing up I have been at pains to go into the various scheme which cannot possibly be an honest one, and one which is extremely likely to lead, with its somewhat tempting propositions, to the ponded by the witness Black. He tells you delusion of a number of Chinese living in this ocuntry. Now, gentlemen, I do not think] need to bour the question of this being a rotten and fraudulent coucein from its incep ion."

SCRAPPING WARSHIPS.

Orders which have been received at the royal essential that we should send the best possible dockyards indicate that the vessels of the Royal team to the Colonies than that we should be Sovereign class, with the Barfleur, Centurion, adequately represented when the contest takes and Renown, are soon to be removed from the place in England. Several teams have in active list of the Fleet.

part of the "Special Re erve," which, under the representative cricketers. The Colonials, on "great reform" of last year, when the term | the other hand, never allow anything to stand "reserve" was abolished, became known as in the way of the despatch of their best "Special Reserve Vessels."

The Royal Sovereign class comprises the "The schemer then, being carried through name ship, the Royal Oak, Repulse, Ramillies, the next point to be decided is as to whether Revenge, Resolution, Empress of India, and these matches should be played to a finish or Hood. They were built under the Navai Defence, not, My own opinion is very strong that these Act of 1889 and are, on an average, about matches should only have a certain number sixteen years old, being armed with four 13.5. days, allotted to them, since in the case of the inch guns in open barbatter, and ten 6-inch Test Matches now being played in Australia quick-firess.

The worst feature of the ship is that their the players know that there is no time limit and it is a perfectly fair assumption, and one ends are unarmoured. They are, nevertheless, and that the marches are to be played out. This not against the Watch Club, that all the fully equal to the older vessels maintained in slow play is doing a lot of harm to cricket, and commission by other Powers, and, with its lends to diminish the interest both for the recent unfortunate experience in the scrapping | spectators and for the players themselves. of cruisers in mind, and the necessity which I should therefore advocate the imposition of was found for withdrawing some of them from | time limit of three or four days in the case of That is quite true, but certainly one the scrap-heap and putting them in commission | those matches in the Imperial contest which are watch will majure that week, and to on again, it is generally felt that the Admiralty played in England; but I think that in the case all through, so that certainly for every ought to think twice before discarding the of those played in Australia, where the wickets week, under the most favourable circum. Royal Sovereigns, It it decides that they are are so good and the leat at times almost unbearstances for the Watch Club, one watch will be worthless under modern conditions, versels to able, an extra day should be allowed for the replace them should at once be put in hand, as | match. I should like to see the hours of play is done in Germany, so that the numerical lengthened in England by an earlier commencestrength of the Navy will not be reduced. ment of matches, especially as at the present The Conturion, Barfleur, and Renown are | time players are so fond of appealing on account there is manipulation of the number that is smaller vessels, and not quite so old. The of bad light towards the end of the day. An drawn out, that number will be the one which two former carry 10-inch guns as their main extra day might be conceded in the case of the has matured. Therefore the presumption is that armament, and recently had the 47's in theirsecondary butteries replaced by 6-inch weapons. the Club will have to provide two watches The Renown, which was similarly attued, continued Dr. Grace, there can be no doubt instead of one. That shows one fallacy in the had her 6-inch guns removed prior to taking very glib description given by Black of this the Prince and Princess of Wales to India,

> CHEAPER MONEY ALL OVER THE WORLD.

"OUTLOOK FOR BUSINESS GOO EVERYWHERE.

A London paper cheerily states :-Financial conditions all over the world are returning to the normal, money is cheap everywhere, and a renewal of activity in business

may now be expected. The Bank of England yesterday reduced its discount rate to 4 per cent, the point at which it stood before the beginning of the American disturbance, and the Bank of France and the Dank of Grilfmenland also seclared their intes. Money is flowing into America in such volume that it is becoming a drug in the

market. per cent.) it was increased to 44 per cent. to 51 per cent, in October, and to 7 per cent, on November 7. On January 1 it was reduced to is absolutely the premier county. In 6 per cent, and to 5 per cent on January 16.

The Bank of France rate was reduced to 3 per lent. after standing at 34 per cent. from January 9, previous to which it stod at 4 per cent, from November 7. The Swiss National Bank reduced its rate from 5 per cent. to 4 per

News of a similar reduction of the rate of discount may be expected from the Reichsbank of Berlin, where the rate of discount was standing at 75 per cent, from November 7 until January 9, when it fell to 61 per cent;

The effect of easier monetary conditions has been most universally noticeable. In London all sections of the Stock Exchange have benefit. ed, more especially the giltedged and Kaffir sections though within the last three days a disposition to take profits has been somewhat

A New York Correspondentsays on January;

Mr. Cortelyou, the Secretary of the Treasury, has given notice to the New York banks f the withdrawal of £1,000,000 more Govern-

Financial conditions have reached such an essy stage that the reductions in the English and French bank rates were not reflected in the operations in Wall-street

Money is flowing into America so freely that it has become almost a drug. The Government's decision to make further withdrawals of support will therefore have a beneficial effect by absorbing the surplus supply.

Wall-street is so well estisfied with the favourable turn of affairs that attention is now being given to industrial enterprises While recovery may be slow, it is now regarded

Withdrawal of Government funds from banka outside New York has also begun, indicating that a pormal condition is being regained nearly everywhere. Mr. Cortelyou exchanged views with the bankers before deciding that Government support was no onger netded.

ADMIRALTY CHANGES.

LORD CHARLES SERESFORD AS FIRST SEA

The Portsmouth "Evening News" yesterday, referring to the persistent rumours that Admiral that \$66,640 will be the profits of winding up Lord Charles Beresford is about to haul down this concern. I really do not know how to his flag permanently, as the obtcome of the describe it; it is one of the most impudent recent signal incident, printed the following documents I ever saw. Then, unfortunately, significant statement :-

"We have good reason to believe that this is far removed from the truth. Whether or not the incident is finally closed matters little, but go into it himself too, but at all events the only reason that is likely to cause Lord Charles to hand down his flag prematurely would should have expected from a man in be his removal to the Admiralty as First Sea Lord in place of Sir John Fisher."

Our Portsmouth contemporary, which is usually well informed, states, that Sir John Fisher may retire from his post at the Admiralty in March, though, as a matter of fact, being an Admiral of the Fleet, he does not retire from active service. If Sir John retires, bis successor busness through. It has got to go on for a of the Fleet Sir A. K. Wilson, and the command will either be Lord Charles Beresford or Admiral considerable time to make profite, and instead of the Channel Fleet would devolve on Admiral of that on come to the end of your resources. Sir A. W. Moore, at present on the China IMPERIAL CRICKET SCHEME

DR. GRACE'S APPROVAL. In conversation with a representative of the Morning Post, Dr. W. G. Grace gave his views on Mr. Abe Bailey's scheme for an Imperial cricket contest to be held in 1909 between England, South Africa, and Australia which has now been approved in its general principle by the Advisory County Cricket Committee sitting at Lord's. "I heartily approve Mr. Abe Bailey's

scheme," said Dr. Grace, "and every effor should be made to carry it out. I am glad to note that the Advisory Cricket Committee in favour of its general principle. It would a good thing for cricket, and would arouse a greater amount of enthusiasm than any cricket contest that has yet taken place. I would, however, point out that it is no use starting these Imperial tournaments unless, when our turn comes for sending out an eleven to South Africa or to Australia, we send out the very best possible team. It is even more recent years been despatched to the Colonies These vessels at present constitute the major | which have not comprised the best available available men to compete on English soil.

> the play is becoming slow and tedious, because last match in each series of three."

that the number of the Country Champions ship matches must be reduced, and the year 1909, when the Imperial contest is to take place, would be a good time to set about the reorganisation of the Championship com. petition. I think the English counties ought to show themselves ready to forward the schume in every possible way. It is really their interest to do so. The various visits of the Australian team, both before and since the proceeds of the Test Matches have been pooled, have represented a very substantialcontribution to the country funds, and Mr. Pailey's scheme will greatly increase the amount available for distribution. By this means alone it will greatly ben-fit county clubs, which, in the absence of sufficient funds, cannot be carried on."

"If a time limit were imposed in the Test Matches and the number of county matches were wad uned the o suntice engaging in the Championship competition would still be able play at their full alrength. But, after all the present syst m regulating the Champion-On August 15 (when the Bank rate stood at | ship, though it gives you a good idea of the relative merits of the counties, may be no real oriterion of practice it works out fairly well; but triangular contest were carried through, of course every county would naturally agree, as -before, to allow its men to play in the event of their being chosen to represent England in Test Metch. If the plan which I have long advocated of dividing the counties into groups were adopted," said ir. Grace in conclusion "a great deal more interest would be taken in county cricket than at present. A countries might possibly suffer under the scheme, but the counties generally would very soon settle down to any new form of organisation and in the long run the public interest taken in the matches played would be greatly

TALE OF AN ASCOT GOWN

COUNSEL'S DIFFICULTY WITH "PADS." Interesting secrets of the dressmaking trade were revealed at Brentford County Court when Mrs Caroline Edwards, trading as Mme. Gabbetis, of Manchester street, W., and Upper Richmondroad, Putney, sough to recover £10 4s. 6d. from Miss V. Johnston, of Avenue.

gardens, St. Margaret's on-Thames. Mrs. Edwards said Miss Johnston had one dress of grey made up, the price of which was to be two guiness, with trimmings extra. A pink cloth gown, lined with silk and trimmed with chiffon and lace, was to cost seven guineas. Miss Johnston paid £15 for lace to be mounted on the pink dress.

"Had the pink dress been made at Manchester. street instead of at Putney," she declared. " should have charged fourte-r guineas." "For the same dress?" asked counsel.

"Yes," she replied. "There is a difference between Putuey and West End prices." The pink dress was put on by Miss Johnston, who walked round in court while the gown was critically examined by several fashionably dressed French experts who had attended to give evidence.

"The dresses were co badly cut," said Miss Johnsten, "that I could not recognise myself in them. I looked as if I had been drawn through a mangle, and I was compelled to suggest that pads should be placed on the hips. | conduct the fu eral ceremony, and the Govern-

"My beautiful and coatly lace coat was reck" lessly cut and ruined. I said I wanted the pink gown for Ascot, but I should be sorry to be seen at Ascot in it.

Addressing the judge, counsel for Mrs. Edwards taid. "I suppose your bononr is aware that ladies do sometimes have pade on their hips to-er-well, your honour knows what I am very much afraid I do not," re-

plied Judge Howland Roberts. "Well-er-," continued counsel, "they have pads to make their figures look slimmer. No. for him and his household in the town house of mean pads to make their figures look-ermore pronounced."

"My mistress never wears such things." Dressmakers," commented the judge in summing up, whether in Manchesterstreet or Putney, get as much as they can." He said the pink dress was not a good fit, and was only worth three and a half guineas. Two guiness, with los for extras, must be paid for

the gray dress.

CURIOUS HISTORY OF THE FAMOUS REGISTER.

be found some strangely diverse characters. seeking it, and in the same category must be placed Edward Lloyd, the coffee-house keeper of dreamed, even in his wildest moments, that one day his name would be familiar in every country of the earth-a name which would exercise an influence far greater than Crosar or Napoleon ever possessed. Marine insurance (says the Syren"), there is very good reason to believe, is as sucient a business as that of shipowning TELEPHONE No. 135.

more glorious period than that which was ushered in after Queen Elizabeth ascended the throne. The spirit of maritime adventure was particularly in evidence, and the youth of thecountry were fired with the audacious exploits. of unblushing buccaneers like Drake and Frobisher. With this growth of British oversons shipping, it is natural that something should be done to afford it a measure of protection, and there is evidence to show that in the last decade of the sixteenth century on "Office | Camp to his Imperial Majesty, and the officers of Assurances" was in existence, though as to of the Blücher Hussars, who came to London its operations information is unfortunately lack- to congratulate King Edward on the twenty: ing. One interesting form of insurance in those fifth anniversary, of his coloneley of the days when the seas-and particularly the wedi- regiment, and also the leading members of the terranean-were infested by pirates, was against | berman colony in ondon. personal capture by these rapacions centry. A

such policies, the insurer, in the event of a claim, having to pay the amount of ransom demanded. No doubt the pirates were aware of this system, for the underwriters had egents scattered about, and it would be interesting to know whether they took advantage of it to hold out for exorbitant sums. In certain cases it him was due the truly brilliant and magnificent might have been cheaper to let the pirates do success of the Imperial visit which we have their worst and face lega! proceedings by the been privileged to witness. Two days ago

existence shows that he kept a coffee house in German army as Colonel in Chief of the Blitcher Tower-street. Later, he removed to Lombard- Hussars. He received the commander of that street, and he soon appears to have of together bistoric regiment together with two officers, a very fine connection. A few years later be em. at Windsor, where General von Löwenfeld banked on the momentous undertaking of start. the Emperor's Adjutant-General, was, also ing a journal devoted principally to shipping present by Imperial command. And we have news, giring it the title of "Loyd's News," which was succeeded in 1726 by "Lloyd's List, " first a weekly, but soon after a bi-weekly

penalty of popularity, and the staid supporters enthusiasm than they are wont to do it atof the place, who foregathered there to transact bome; Gentlemen, I ask you to rise, and to plain and straightforward business, were greatly drink to the health of the Colonel-in-Chief scandalised by the ever-growing influx of wild of the Blücher Mussays, his Majesty King speculators and other undesirable characters. Edward of Great Britain and Ireland. Hoch ! mutters got worse, and about 1770 they took over "Lloyd's Enst" and installed themselves the German Emperor as follows: Since we last in Pope's Head Alley, removing in 1774 to assembled, a year ago to celebrate this day, quarters in the Royal Exchange.

Lloyd's offirehouse, and later by Lloyd sitisfactory from an Auglo German standpoint himself, is certain. There is in the possession that the year gone by bears a fair record id of Lloyd's Register a Register Book, having brought us much good, and much that, earliest register extant, there seems to be no is true there are still certain people who seem to doubt that a printed register was in existence. hold the opposite view, but they have diminished about 40 years previously; this, and its pro- considerably in number, and that alone is no decersors, probably periahed in the fire which small achievement of the past year, for those of destroyed the Royal Exchange in 1838. The us who are of a peaceable and conciliatory na-764 5.6 volume was quite an elaborate affair, ture. If we ask ourselves to what is principally and must have arrived at its then from through due this new impetus to the feeling of friend most of the columns is quite plain, the former our mind recalls at once the visit of our Emperor name of the ressel appeared in the first, followed, whose birthday we now celebrate. We all have by the present one the matter, the ports be been witnesses of the splendid and hearty tween which the vessel traded, tonnage, number of guns carried and number of crew, place and date of building, owners, and the last three indicating the years in which surveys were carried out. In the guns column are letters giving further particulars of each ship, such as " Sd. single-deck, "SdB," single-deck with tier of

possesses. The expression "Al at Lloyd's" lence and reliability, and it must have been proud day in the lives of the committee when authority upon the value and seaworthiness of merchant vessels that it would be impossible for ever so good a ship to obtain freight abroad without ref renne to the register."

DEATH OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF PARIS.

Cardinal Richard, Archbishop of Paris, diedat an early hour on January 28th owing to the people. It is really a great pity that his congestion of the lungs. He belonged to the family of Richard de Lavergne. He was born at Nantes on March 1, 1819, was appointed to the episcopal see of Bellay in 1871, and could jutor to Mgr. Guibert, his predecessor in Paris, in 1875, with the future succession. On the death of his predecessor, Cardinal Guibert, in July, 18:6, Cardinal Richard accordingly succeeded to the Archbishopric.

. A similar arrangement, as regards the succession, operates on this occasion, Mgr. Amette, the late prelate's coadjutor, having been appointed to that post with the eventual

Cardinal Lecot, Archbishop of Bordeaux, will I used the grey skirt to nurse my dogs in when ment's permission has been asked, and will probably be accorded, for interment in Notre Police, who have maintained friendly relations of long standing with Cardinal Richard, have been informed by the Minister of the Interior that they are at liberty to attend the funeral in a private capacity, but, of course, no Government representative can be present officially. The aged prelate's career saw its stormiest days at Government's Separation Laws and to seek a temporary refuge in the apartments set aside the Conservative Deputy M. Denys Cochin. Only a few days ago he drove out for the list Sir!" exclaimed Miss Johnston's maid, time to give his benediction to the Sisterhood-

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Al AT LLOYD'S.

A mong the ranks of those whose names are immortalised in the history of the world are to Capt. Boycott, for instance, was one of those men who have attained immortality without Lombard-street, who could certainly never have

itself, though what form it took in the remote ages it is impossible to say. In the history of our own country there is no

brisk Insiness appears to have been done in

publication-

In spite of the efforts of the old frequenters

records of the condition of shipping was the future. It is not every year that passes of initiated; though that this was done by which one can say that it has been better than individual underwriters in the days of the old its predecessor. It is therefore all the more direct ancestor of the present publication, in my opinion, tends to bind nations closer, dated 1764 5.6, and though this is the together act that which separates them. It several stages of evolution: The purpose of ship between our Fatherland and this country,

In the face of obstacles formidable enough to discourage men of less determination than those who formed the committee of the society, the new register began to lay the toundations of that world-wide reputation which it to-day gradually became a synonym for all-round excelthey read in the columns of a journal which had been in the van of criticism that the registry "acquired so great an importance as an

succession two years ago.

Dame. The Prefects of the Seine and the rising excitedly from the body of the court, which had just been sent from the Hotel Dieu.

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KAISER'S RECENT. VISIT. In velebration of the Emperor William's birthday a dinner was given at the Hotel Cecil over which the Gorman Ambassador (Count Paul Wolff-Metternich) presided. The company included General von Lowenfeld, Aide-de-

Proposing "The King," which was enthusiestically honoured, the Ambassad r said; It is an old tradition to make our first toast that of the Sovereign whose country offers us haspitality. King Edward, who; moreover, is a near relation of our Emper: r, set an example to his people by his hearty and affectionate welcome to their Imperial Majesties at. Windsor, To twenty five years had clapsed since his Majesty The first intimation we get of Edward bloyd's | King Edward had become attached to the for that reason the pleasure of seeing these gentlemen participating to-night in our patriotic festivity. I darosay they will take home the impression that we celebrate the Lloyd's coffee-house at length had to pay the Emperor's birthday in London with no less

Hoch! Hech! The Ambassader then proposed the health of much has happened that is of great interest. There is, unfortunately, no evidence to show especially for us German residents in England, when the practice of maintaining systematic much that we may regard as a good omen for reception England's King and her people accorded our Emperor and his gracious Consort. To speak figuratively, you have seen how quickly the fog of Portsmouth, at the time landing of their Imperial Majesties, was dispersed by the sunshine and the warmth of feeling that met them everywhere, spontaneous be found the reason and the explanation of the great and indisputable success of their visit to this country. You, gouth men, who hold a warm affection for your native quantry, and are proud of your Emperor, and I who claim the same sentiments, might perhaps appear biassed judges i where our beloved Sovereigns are concerned, however pardonable this might be. Foreigners, however, cannot by looked upon as being biased as German patriots may be. Still you will agree with me that only one opinion is given by our English friends; that the visit of their Majesties has been an unqualified success in 504, 307, 522 a d 220; Kyrie Gilbert, Holy Comimproving the relations between the countries, and that it has been the personality of the r mperor that has won him the hearts of Majesty cannot be his own Ambassador in London for a few years, to continue the work so well commenced. But as the German nation will no doubt refuse to let him go, even if he wanted to, we can only hope that under these circumstances the beneficial effects of the visit may continue, and that the friendly feeling and disposition which it fostered may develop into the durable and common property of both nations. With this wish I raise my glass and beloved Sovereign, his Majesty the Emperor.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report :--On the 2sth at 11.40 a.m. The barometer has fallen over China, particularly in the

North: Pressure has also given way quickly 5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. The depression is now moving Eastwards over the Lower Yangtze, and approaching the 1st and 5th Sundays in month at noon; 2nd and

its close, he having been obliged to evacuate his pressure lies over the Facific to the E. of Japan. Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11 am, Evening "Moderate E. to E. winds may be expected Prayer and Sermon, at 8 p.m.; Children's Service in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of (and Baptisms, if necessary) on 3rd Sundays, at the China Sea.

at 10 a,m. to-day, 0.09 inches. The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon

E. to S.E.

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N.B.—Psalm 1 Verse 7 in unison (Wosley), 2 Verses 6. in unis in (Wosley). 3 Verses 7 and 8 in unison (Hopkins). 4 Verses, 1, 7 in unison (Monk). 5 Verses, 1, 2 8, 13 in unison (Hopkins). The Preacher at Matins will be the Roy, To Shorwood Jones -

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HONGKONG'S GREAT DEPRESSION IN TRADE.

Under this heading the Commercial Supplement of the Times gives an account sent by its ... Hongkong correspondent on Dec. 9th, which we print here for those who may not have seen

The year which is drawing to a close has been one of depression even more marked than was the care in 1906; in fact, it is difficult to believe that trade in general could be worse then it has been during this year. Efforts have been made in more than one quarter to ascertain the causes of this depression, and although it can generally be put down to lack of demand from the consuming districts round about, it is difficult to say why this demand should be non-existent or almost so. The rice crops in the interior have not been particularly favourable, it is true, but the silk crops have. been good, and must have brought a great deal of money into China. Piracy has, of course,

been much in evidence, and the increase of this form of thieving has done semething to restrict purchases. It would seem as if South China has been working of accumulated stocks, and this, coupled with the facts that many purchases are being made direct, without coming through Hongkorg, and that cheap goods were all along. to be had from the much overstocked market of Shanghal, accounts for much of the poor trade of Hongkong. The failure of so many dealers early in the year made the native banks very cautions, and although money has been plentiful they have not been inclined to advance it too freely. The restricted credit has no doubt discouraged much speculative business on part of the Chinese, but this is for the good of regular and legitimate business.

HIGH RATES OF EXCHANGE. The poor trade, combined with other reasons, has led to a considerable depreciation of property in the colony, and this is the most striking symptom of the unhealthy state of affairs now existing. Stocks and shares of local enterprises have also suffered. The high rate of exchange has been one factor in inducing low prices both for property and shares, as many took advantage of the good exchange available to sell out their local holdings and convert their property into gold. Although exchange has declined considerably this last month the high rates of interest ruling at home will prevent much money coming out here for investment for some time. Many companies also are feeling the results of the lesses incurred by the disastrons typhoon of last year,

Exchange has ruled very high during most of the year. A decline in rates in the months of April and May was followed by a quick recovery, and this led to little faith being placed by the Chinese in the greater decline which has taken place these last two months of the year. Money has been plentiful all the time, but credit has been restricted.

- RESTRICTED IMPORTS:

I he yarn trade suffered very o usiderably at the beginning of the year through the failure of practically all the leading Chinese dealers. The liabilities were enormous and the assets triffing, and in consequence the trade was severely crippled; The disposal of the enormous stocks left in importers' bands has occupied the greater part of the year, and although at one time it looked as if there would be a revival of demand sufficient to relieve the market, during the last few months there has been very little movement, and the outlook is rather gloomy. The above applies mainly to the Indian and Japanese spinnings. The higher counts of highish yarus have been in good demand, but business has been restricted by the high prices and long deliveries asked by epinners at home.

white shirtings, grey drills, &c. The Chinese here, in the absence of any demand from the interior, have refrained from ordering on their own account, being frightened a rise in exchange or lower rates for Fancy gords have been more request, but demand has been very fluctuating, and has usually been for spot cargo such a kind as was not to be had at the moment, The impetus given by the late Vicercy Shum to the use by the Chinese of European clothing, or clothes in Chine-e style, but of serge and other European clothe, has had a severe set-back by his successor, and those dealers who imported large quantities of klicki and serges in sniicipation of an increased-use-by-their-countrymenhave been bidly disappointed. All the same, the Chinese have been having more freely such. of the various lines classed as "sundries" as are neually looked upon as for ' propess west, principally knitted woollou underwear and caps. Business in "aundries," bowever, as a rule was dull, as there were heavy stocks on hand and

consumption was poor. In metals the dealers have not much to complain of as, although the business was much restricted, there have been no heavy losses. The only exception to this has been in the case of yellow metal, &c., where the fall in copper left a quantity of high ; old stock in dealers'

indeed for several months at the beginning of so often fail because the contents have been the year. Australia getting a large share of the kept too long in bottle. Mr. Clemens has just trade. The new local mill also put its production | revealed in a speech to the Lotos Club of New on the market, and thus there was such an York he way in which the famous paper feted accumulation of stock that the outlook was him when he was over here last autumn; and distinctly grave, as there was little movement we call the report from the "New York in the commodity. For wately the prices for Tribune." Mark was giving off a string of the flour in the producing countries rose rapidly, greatest compliments that had ever been paid and by holding on to stocks the Chinese were him, and among them was the following: able to dispose of their purchases at covering It was at a dinner given in the building rates. These, however, were very low is com: of the "Pauch" publication a humorous paper parison to the replacing costs, and there has which is appreciated by all Englishmen. I probably been no other place in the world where was the greatest privilege ever allowed a flour has been sold so cleaply these last few foreigner. I entered the dining-room of the

months as in Hongkong. heavy stocks at the beginning of the year, but We were about to begin dinner when the latterly prices have become firmer, and stocks toastmaster said: "Just a misute, there ought are more reasonable. The local refineries have to be a little ceremony." Then there was that

done fairly well.

LARGE EXPORTS OF SILK. The year opened with a brisk demand for; silk, and as the stocks left over from 1906 were small, prices were very firm and the business transacted small. By the end of February all the old silk had been taken off the market and considerable interest was shown early in March for new silk. Large contracts for delivery up. to October were booked at high rates. A period of quietness then set in, but in July there was renewed inquiry, with a consequent advance in rates. The Chicese holders were, however, very incidents that I cherish. firm, and thus the business transacted was not with the essier state of the Japanese market, said :caused buyers to retire about the middle of

September. The financial crisis in the United States, and indeed. Those policemen in London would not the effect this had of demoralizing the Yorohams only salute me, but would put up their puissant market, and the accumulated heavy stocks at hands and paralyse the commerce of the cityhome, all tended to keep the market dull during the later months of the year. The weaker holders had at length to give way, and prices that he was worth it; and if he lived over here, are declining steadily, the sterling rates being now about 25 per cent. lower than those ruling him walk past, and thinks it a bargain, says a in April.

On the whole affairs this year have been very uncertain and unsatisfactory, offering much scope for speculation. The production has been exceptionally large, especially in the earlier crops, which were also above the average in quality, while the later ones left much to be desired in this respect. Under specially favourable climatic conditions the quite unpracedented addition of an eighth drop took place. The total export for the season will probably be 50,000, against 42,000 bales last year. Export

figures to date are :-To Europe, 34,818 bales, against 32,071 bales

To America, 7,682 bales, against 9,582 bales!

Waste silk has moved to some extent in sympathy with raw silk, though its course has been less erratio. An innaually heavy demand from the Continent has kept prices steady on a high level. Exports to date are :bales for 1906

13.833 bales to England, against 17.79 Continent Other exports call for no special comment.

MOPES FOR THE NEW YEAR,

On the whole the year closes with brighter prospects for the future. Much of the speculative element has been eliminated by the past losses, and the road is thus clear for legitimute business. Stocks of goods are light, and given a settled state of affairs in the interior demand should soon make itself felt in the shape of fresh orders. The action of the British Government in taking upon itself the repression of piracy died down, lead to such a sense of security as will the savage midge nips us unmolested under justify merchants in shipping goods to the interior on a much more liberal scale than recently. The railway to Canton is making progress, but it will be some time ere it is finished, and so is notlikely to affect Hongkong trade for a few years.

ANOTHER AMERICAN DISCOVERY

LONDON DESCRIBED.

Americans are very busy writing about England just now. Sometimes they come here to gather facts. Sometimes they are too busy to cross the ocean, and stay "to home" and imagine them.

delightfully humorous article which he calls "An American in London," in the February number of "Everybody's Mugazine," must surely be among the latter class.

This is how Samuel G. begins :--"The first man I saw in London wore a high hat, a red tie a green waistcoat; a bobbed iff coat, and yellow shoes.

"What's that P' I excitedly asked an Englishman who had come in on the train with me. ". What's what?' returned the Englishman. gazing about in some trepidation.

That, and I pointed to the gaudy person. "" Ow, that's the station malister, " Is that all P ! said, much disappointed, I thought he might be the Lord Mayor.

"The Englishman crushed me. Reablly, he said, 'it is not. The Lord Mayor of London is not in the employ of the railroad company, Samuel G. knows "a lot of little things about us. He thinks London is England and that "the rest of the island does not count. He regards London as 'a soggy sort of place which the American tourist is slowly civilising,

and so on. Our tailors are awful :-

"There are but two kinds of London clother. The fashionable failor makes his so tight that are different ways of smoking, offensive and inyou have to get them on with talenm powder offensive, and there are many occasions on which and a shoe-horn, and the cheaper tailor makes a woman would be ill-advised indeed to light a them so loose that you can put them on over your head. The London tailor who can bring had better not smoke at all, for under it a The piece goods trade has been exceptionally a collar up close enough to the neck so it oigarette is certain to look impudent. bad, particularly so in the case of grey and resches the sixth vertebra thinks he has The use of a holder, which will prevent pretty accomplished a triumph of sartorial skill.

"The real London combination is a silk. hat, a short coat, and a read or green tie. together with an abcormally high collarmuslly soiled-and a coloured waistcoat. That station master wasn't so much of a curiosity after all. The explanation for the bright coloured waistcosts is simple enough. They have to wear something to lighten up the

One can readily see from the foregoing how carefully we have been observed.

mensely, and he tells an extraordinary story of but, however strong her inclination to accept, how an American manager of a certain London firm discovered that the gas used by his clerks it. It is not her place, and her presence to make their tea cost the firm £96 a year! Fancy that !

Samuel G. is really very amusing, but "Everybody's Magazine has an immense circulation, and perhaps away in some remote American villaga some reader will take him seriously. And that would be a pity.

MARK TWAIN AT A "PUNCH" DINNER.

"IT BROKE I'E ALL UP." What happens at the "Wednesday" dinners of "Mr. Punch" is usually reserved for those Flour was imported in very large quantities | posthumous volumes of recollections which

building where those men get together who In sugar the imports lost beavily through have been running the paper for over fifty years. meditating sileace for a while, and out of a closet there came a beautiful little girl dressed in pink, holding in her hand a copy of the previous week's paper, which had in it my cartoon. It broke me all up. I could not even say "Thank you," That was the prettiest incident of the dinner, the delight of all that wonderful table. When she was about to go I said : "My child, you are not going to leave me; I have hardly got acquainted with you." She replied: "You know I've got to go; they never let me come in here before, and they never will again." That is one of the beautiful

Mr. Twain spoke feelingly of his hospitable great, and this attitude of the Chinese, together reception everywhere in that country. He Why, the policemen knew me everywhere, and I considered it a very high compliment,

> just to let me cross the street. It is no flattery to Mr. Clemens to remark London would stop its traffic every day to let London contemporary.

ENGLISHWOMAN AND THE CIGARETTE.

BY LADY POORE IN THE "EVENING STAND RD."

Our women of to-day play hockey and fence; they have brought down their petticoats to an irreducible minimum; they fill with credit posts formerly held-only by mon, and earn the bread of independence in a hundred ways undreamt of by their grandmothers and more or less distasteful to their mothers. Yet in doing all these things the possibility of their remaining womanly is generally admitted. What is there in the smoking of a cigarette that should unsex them ? .. What borrid magic in the little whitecoated oylinder (showing so plainly by its pietty suffix that it is the correct feminine of eigar) that . its consumption should brand them as bold and almost immoral? Is it fair to class the woman who smokes with her sister who drinks and bets to excess, o swears, or laughs loudly in public places? By many otherwise reasonable persons she is undoubtedly so classed.

In Russia, Austria, and Italy women of the best type have as much right as their hagbands to their cigarette, but we poor English. women must often ad to the problematical sin of smoking the undeniable one of deceit if we desire to calm-an over-active brain or harassed nerves or a much-tried temper by a few whiffs of mild tobacco. Few of us have the contage of our convictions: We know we are not committing a crime in the West River district should, after the in smoking, and and yet our heart fails us feeling of irritation which it has caused has when the eigarettes go round after lunch or the cenara on the lawn, We would not willingly shock the gentle hostess, the dear, old-fashioned purson, or the rich maiden aunt, and to spare their feelings we forego our pleasure; but we get no credit for our solf-denial, no pity for our unapeased cravings, even from those who are in our secret, since it is generally supposed that no woman ought to want to smoke. In almost every bouse now-a-days some accommodation provided for the male smoker, but now and then one chances on an establishment where to bacco is under a ban, and a smoking-man who has found himself and his pipe thrust pitilessly forth into the cold, damp darkness of a November night can guess something of what a smoking woman has to bear. Many a midhight eigerette, orper. Mr. Samuel G. Blythe, who has written a baps only half a dozen whilfs of one, has present writer, in mortal fear of discovery and disgrace puffed up the wide chimney of her bedroom in some country house whose hospitality stopped short of indulgence towards wher one vice. And if it is not the season of fires, one must needs blow out the lights and hang out of the window to smoke, taking care not to drop ash or and on the roof of some verandah or conservatory below, there to remain just got of reach, a silent, damning proof of sin in the eye of mistress and maid Better for had it been boldly deposited in the Bilver base of a flat candlestick

Almost the only women who can smoke with impunity are the admittedly ecentric and the "smart." A pretty woman who neither desires nor deserves to be considered the one or the other becomes perforce a clandustime smoker. With a cigarette between her rosy lips she is bound to be acquised by her social compaers of unduly courting attention. She is "indiscreet" -in short, she is hardly respectable. But had she been elderly and plain, devoted to good works and clever at knitting things for the North Sea fishermen, her taste for tobacco would have been regarded as a harmless peculiarity. It is not to be denied that there cirgarette: f she possesses a retrousse nose she

fingers from becoming stained is much to be recommended. It satisfies a proper fastidiousness on the part of the smoker, and lessens the risk of detection by the curious or ill-disposed. Far better than the amber mouthpiece is the long holder of cardboard and quill, of which one can buy a hundred for a shilling, so that every cigarette can have its own clean setting, One thing is certain, and that is that the woman smoker should under no possible circumstances frequent a smoking-room intended for the men of a house and their friends. Our afternoon, tes annoys Samuel G. im- will be invited to do so, no doubt, she must be firm in her refusal to enter will be an embarrassment rather than a pleasure

to its occupants. Brothers have a great deal to answer for. When they are young and thoughtless, it amuses them to teach their sisters to smoke, never considering that they may be kindling a little fire which even the cold water of parental disapproval will be powerless to quench. Husbands vary, but many are kind and reasonable. These like to share their pleasures with their wives, and see in an after-dinner cigarette no more than a legitimate solace. fairly earned by the woman who is pivot. buffer, and mainspring in the easily jarred marbinery of domestic efficiency—the efficiency upon which their well-being depends. The time will come, no doubt, when it will no longer be thought wrong, improper, or oven odd, for Englishwomen to smoke. Meanwhile, those of us who do must endure as best we may the cold coks and adver- e criticism of the small majority of our men and the vast majority of our sisters. reflecting for our comfort that we are, after all, the pioneers of a movement calculated to benefit thousands of overworked and over-worried wo men-lonely old maids, unappreciated stepmothers and misunderstood wives, mistresses of unruly households; inconsolable widows and daughters of stern fathers and nagging.

GERMAN ARMY SCANDALS.

Berlin, January 23. The court-martial on Count Hohenau and Count Lynar delivered judgment this evening. Count Hohenau was acquitted, but Count Lynar was sentenced to fifteen months' imprisonment for abuse of authority in six instances, four legally involving insult to his subordinates and five a breach of morals.

In giving the reasons for its judgments the Court stated that it acquitted Count Hohenau because his guilt was not proved, but not because his innocence was proved. It had not been shown in the present trial that he had done spything to render him liable under Paragraph 175. However, proof had been brought against, Count Lynar of the punishable practice indicated in the judgment. The Court considered that the period for which he had been imprisoned pending trial could not be deducted from the term of his sentence, because he had brought about the delay in the present trial through his own conduct. The Court decided that, while the remainder of the reasons for the judgments were being given, the public should be excluded in the interests of military discipline.

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